

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-12 (Canceled).

13. (Currently Amended) A camera apparatus comprising:  
a display device for displaying, in a standby state for  
taking a picture, an optical image of a subject to be  
photographed;

5 a memory for storing plural photographing condition data  
corresponding to respective different photographing conditions,  
and plural sample images representing images of the subject,  
wherein the plural sample images correspond to the plural  
photographing condition data, respectively;

10 a selector for selecting one of the sample images stored in  
the memory in response to a selecting operation;

a selection starting unit for causing the selector to start  
selection of the sample image;

15 a photographing-condition setting unit for setting a  
photographing condition to the camera apparatus based on the  
photographing condition data corresponding to the sample image  
selected by the selector in response to a decision operation; and

20 a display controller for controlling the display device to  
display the sample image corresponding to the photographing  
condition set by the photographing-condition setting unit

together with the optical image of the subject which is picked up by the camera apparatus based on the photographing condition set by the photographing-condition setting unit;

25     wherein the selector restarts selection of the sample image when the selection starting unit causes the selector to start selection of the sample image after the photographing condition has been set by the photographing-condition setting unit;

30     wherein the display controller controls the display device to cease displaying the sample image after displaying the sample image for a predetermined period of time;

wherein a judging unit judges whether or not the display controller displays the sample image on the display device, when the selection starting unit has caused the selector to start selection of the sample image; and

35     wherein the display controller controls the display device to display the sample image corresponding to the photographing condition currently set by the photographing-condition setting unit, when the judging unit determines that the sample image is not displayed on the display device.

14. (Previously Presented) The camera apparatus as set forth in claim 13, wherein the display controller controls the display device to display the sample image together with the optical image of the subject for a predetermined period, and then

5 to display only the optical image of the subject after the predetermined period.

15. (Previously Presented) The camera apparatus as set forth in claim 13, wherein the selector successively changes the sample image in response to the selecting operation, and the display controller controls the display device to display the successively changed sample images, thereby allowing a user to select one of the sample images from among the successively displayed sample images.

16. (Previously Presented) The camera apparatus as set forth in claim 13, wherein the display controller controls the display device to display the sample image before the photographing condition is set by the photographing-condition setting unit, and the selector selects the displayed sample image in response to the selecting operation.

Claims 17-18 (Canceled).

19. (Currently Amended) The camera apparatus as set forth in claim ~~10~~ 13, wherein the display controller controls the display device to display another sample image in place of the currently displayed sample image when the judging unit determines

5     that the sample image is displayed on the display device, and  
      wherein the display controller controls the display device to  
      display a next sample image in place of the displayed sample  
      image when the judging unit determines that the sample image is  
      not displayed on the display device, whereby the selector allows  
10    a user to select the photographing condition again.

      20. (Previously Presented) The camera apparatus as set  
      forth in claim 13, wherein the display controller controls the  
      display device to display respective ones of the sample images in  
      response to the selecting operation of the selector, and wherein  
5     the selector selects the sample image from among the displayed  
      sample images.

      21. (Previously Presented) The camera apparatus as set  
      forth in claim 13, wherein the display controller controls the  
      display device to display a plurality of the sample images  
      together with the optical image of the subject.

      22. (Previously Presented) The camera apparatus as set  
      forth in claim 13, wherein the display controller controls the  
      display device to display the sample image currently selected by  
      the selector and another one of the sample images in a manner  
5     discernible one from other.

23. (Previously Presented) The camera apparatus as set forth in claim 13, wherein the memory stores the plural sample images in a predetermined storing order, and the display controller controls the display device to display the sample  
5 image selected by the selector and a sample image adjacent to the selected sample image in the storing order together with the optical image of the subject.

24. (Previously Presented) The camera apparatus as set forth in claim 23, wherein the display controller controls the display device to display the sample image selected by the selector and the sample image adjacent to the selected sample  
5 image in a manner discernible one from other.

Claims 25-28 (Canceled).

29. (Currently Amended) A display method for a camera apparatus which includes a display device and a memory storing plural photographing condition data corresponding to respective different photographing conditions and plural sample images  
5 representing images of a subject, wherein the plural sample images correspond to the plural photographing condition data, respectively, said display method comprising:

displaying on the display device an optical image of the  
subject to be photographed, in a standby state for taking a  
10 picture;

selecting one of the sample images stored in the memory in  
response to a selecting operation;

controlling selection of the sample image to be started;

15 setting a photographing condition to the camera apparatus  
based on the photographing condition data corresponding to the  
sample image selected in response to a decision selecting  
operation; and

controlling the display device to display the sample image  
corresponding to the set photographing condition together with  
20 the optical image of the subject which is picked up by the camera  
apparatus based on the photographing condition set by the  
photographing-condition setting unit;

restarting selection of the sample image when the selection  
of the sample image is controlled to be started after the  
25 photographing condition has been set;

controlling the display device to cease displaying the  
sample image after displaying the sample image for a  
predetermined period of time;

judging whether or not the sample image is displayed on the  
30 display device, when the selection of the sample image has been  
controlled to be started; and

controlling the display device to display the sample image  
corresponding to the currently set photographing condition, when  
it is judged that the sample image is not displayed on the  
35 display device.

Claims 30 and 31 (Canceled).

32. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having  
recorded thereon a computer program for controlling a camera  
apparatus, which includes a display device and a memory storing  
plural photographing condition data corresponding to respective  
5 different photographing conditions and plural sample images  
representing images of a subject, wherein the plural sample  
images correspond to the plural photographing condition data,  
respectively, to perform functions of:

10 displaying on the display device an optical image of the  
subject to be photographed, in a standby state for taking a  
picture;

selecting one of the sample images stored in the memory in  
response to a selecting operation;

controlling selection of the sample image to be started;

15 setting a photographing condition to the camera apparatus  
based on the photographing condition data corresponding to the

sample image selected in response to a decision selecting operation; and

controlling the display device to display the sample image corresponding to the set photographing condition together with the optical image of the subject which is picked up by the camera apparatus based on the photographing condition set by the photographing-condition setting unit;

restarting selection of the sample image when the selection of the sample image is controlled to be started after the photographing condition has been set;

controlling the display device to cease displaying the sample image after displaying the sample image for a predetermined period of time;

judging whether or not the sample image is displayed on the display device, when the selection of the sample image has been controlled to be started; and

controlling the display device to display the sample image corresponding to the currently set photographing condition, when it is judged that the sample image is not displayed on the display device.

Claims 33 and 34 (Canceled).